

House Resolution No. 983

Whereas, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize Children's Mercy Hospitals and Clinics in Kansas City, Missouri, which was named one of the ten best children's hospitals in America by Child Magazine; and

Whereas, Children's Mercy had to complete a 72-question survey that focused on criteria such as survival rates, staff qualifications, Child Life programs, safety issues, child-friendly facilities and programs, and much more; and

Whereas, this marks the second time that Child Magazine has conducted the in-depth survey, and the first time Children's Mercy has been included on the list; and

Whereas, Children's Mercy Hospitals and Clinics also received magnet designation, the highest honor awarded by the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC), in recognition of excellence in nursing services; and

Whereas, Children's Mercy Hospitals and Clinics is the first hospital in Missouri or Kansas and the first nationwide to receive magnet designation, which cannot be achieved without outstanding patient services through the hospital according to the ANCC; and

Whereas, the magnet recognition program was developed by the ANCC to recognize health care organizations which provide the very best in nursing care and act as a "magnet" by creating an environment that recognizes and supports nursing; and

Whereas, the ANCC reviewed extensive documentation submitted by the hospital and then conducted a three-day visit to Children's Mercy Hospital in October of 2002, where they focused on topics that included leadership, quality improvement, work environment, patient care, and research:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations to the administrators, doctors, nurses, and staff at Children's Mercy Hospitals and Clinics at this proud moment of well-deserved distinction, and in wishing them only the very best as they continue to provide the highest quality of care to their patients; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Children's Mercy Hospitals and Clinics in Kansas City, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Kevin Wilson
District No. 130

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 983, adopted March 20, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker